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NEW ASSEMBLY ROOMS,
GEORGE STREET.

THE DIRECTORS have ordered Subscription Books to be opened for Eight DANCING ASSEMBLIES, during the season, to commence on Thursday the 25th curt.

Gentlemens subscription for twelve tickets, Two Guineas—Ladies ditto, a Guinea and a Half.

The Ladies Tickets to be transferable to Ladies, and the Gentlemens to Gentlemen only, without any money additional being paid at the doors of the Rooms. Each subscriber may transfer the tickets, in any number, on each night.

Nonsubscribers tickets 5s. each.

The CARD ASSEMBLIES are now removed from Bernard's Rooms to the New Assembly Rooms, George's Street, where they will continue to be held on Mondays during the season.

Subscription for ten tickets One Guinea.——Tickets to Nonsubscribers 3s.

Books of Subscription lie at the Rooms, and at the shop of Mr Saunderson, the treasurer, front of the Royal Exchange.

BRITISH WOOL SOCIETY.

THE Anniversary Meeting of the SOCIETY is to be held in the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, on Monday the 29th January, at two o'clock afternoon, when a full attendance of the Members is expected.

COILSFIELD, Jan. 22. 1798.

THE DEPUTY LIEUTENANTS of the shire of AYR are requested to meet the Lord Lieutenant at Ayr, on Monday the 29th inst. on business of importance to the county.

By order of the Lord Lieutenant,
JOHN BOSWELL, Sec.

WANTED TO PURCHASE
By private bargain,

AN ESTATE, rented at from 2 to 500l. a-year, any distance from Edinburgh not exceeding 50 or 60 miles.—A House of a moderate size, with suitable offices, would be an advantage. The principal part of the money could be paid down.

For particulars apply to Charles Innes and William Handyside, writers to the signet.

A FURNISHED HOUSE WANTED.

Wanted by the 10th February next, for two months,

A FURNISHED HOUSE, of easy access of five or six rooms, situated either in the New Town, George's Square, or St James's Square.

Apply to William Bruce and Son, North Bridge Street.
Not to be repeated.

TO PERSONS WISHING TO ENTER INTO BUSINESS.

AN ESTABLISHED HOUSE in the SPIRIT & WINE TRADE, the Partners of which are retiring from business, wish to dispose of their Stock in trade, which is not extensive, and Utensils, at a fair valuation. A good opportunity now offers to any person wishing to commence in that line, as they will enter into immediate possession of every requisite for carrying on the business, and also a regular set of customers.

Twelve months credit will be given on finding proper security.

Those who think such a line might suit them, may apply to Robert Bruce, writer, Royal Bank Close, Edinburgh.

Edin. Jan. 24. 1798.

CUPAR DISTRICT.

THE Trustees for making and repairing the highways in the DISTRICT of CUPAR, and county of Fife, are requested to meet within the County-room at Cupar, on Tuesday the 3th day of February next, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of proceeding in the execution of the late statute labour act.

Cupar, 22d Jan. 1798. THOS. HORSBURGH, Clk.

MAHOGANY, CLOVER SEED, &c.
ON CONSIGNMENT.

To be SOLD, by public roup, on Friday 2d February next, in the Timber Yard of SCOTT and REID, Leith, at 12 o'clock noon,

FOURTEEN LOGS MAHOGANY,
7 PLANKS PURPLE WOOD,
50 LOGS WAINSCOT, and
10 TIERCES RED CLOVER SEED.

LEITH, 24th January, 1798.

STAMP OFFICE, January 2. 1798.

BY an Act made for granting to his Majesty several additional Stamp Duties on Newspapers, and passed in the 29th year of his said Majesty's reign, it is amongst other things enacted as follows:

"Whereas an usage prevails amongst the hawkers of newspapers and other persons, instead of selling the newspapers, to let out the same for small sums to be read by different persons, whereby the sale of newspapers is greatly obstructed; be it therefore further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that, from and after the said first day of August, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, if any hawker of any newspaper, or other person, shall let out any newspaper for hire, to any person or persons, or to different persons, or from house to house, he, she, or they, so offending, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five pounds, to be recovered and applied as any other penalty or forfeiture may be recovered and applied by any law now in force relating to the duties on stamped vellum, parchment, and paper."

His Majesty's Commissioners for managing the Stamp Duties think it necessary therefore to give this public notice,

That every person who shall be found offending, in this respect against the law, will be immediately prosecuted to recover the penalties incurred thereby, as the act of Parliament directs. By order of the Commissioners,

JOHN BRETTELL, Sec.

N. B.—Mr John Berridge was on the 30th day of December last prosecuted, by order of this Board, for offences against this act, before Sir William Addington and R. Forde, Esq. and convicted in six penalties, amounting in the whole to the sum of 30l.

DUNDEE SEED SHOP AND NURSERY.

ANDERSON and URQUHART, successors to THOMAS LESLIE and COMPANY, beg leave to inform the Customers and friends of the late Company, and the Public at large, That they carry on the NURSERY and SEED BUSINESS at Dundee, in all its branches, as usual, and humbly solicit a continuance of those favours which the late Company have so long experienced—assuring them, that their orders will be gratefully received and carefully executed.

The above Nursery is particularly well stocked with all sorts of FOREST TREES, both Seedling and Transplanted; also, FRUIT TREES and FLOWERING SHRUBS, which they are determined to dispose of on the most reasonable terms.—They also expect soon a fresh assortment of GARDEN and GRASS SEEDS from their proper markets.

N. B.—W. URQUHART undertakes to lay out Gardens and Pleasure Grounds in the most modern and approved taste, and also to give designs of Forcing Houses of all descriptions, on the first principles of utility and neatness, he having practised these branches for many years in England.

☞ Gentlemen may be supplied with Gardeners by applying either at the Shop or Nursery.

WAREHOUSES AND WINE CELLARS,
TO BE LET.

To be Let by public roup, for one year,

THE Well-known WAREHOUSES and WINE CELLARS at the Green Tree, Leith, belonging to the late Copartnery of David Steuart and Co.

The roup to be held within the premisses, on Thursday the 1st day of February, at 12 o'clock noon, and the entry to be upon the 15th of said month.

Leith, 20th January 1798.

PUBLIC DISPENSARY.

THE General Meeting of CONTRIBUTORS to the PUBLIC DISPENSARY, for the Annual Election of Managers, is to be held on Saturday January 27, at three o'clock afternoon, in the Dispensary, Richmond-street.

A state of the funds of the Dispensary, and of its effects, since the last annual report, will then be laid before the Contributors; but for the information of those who may not attend, it is thought proper to mention, that, from examining the Records of Practice at this charitable establishment, it appears, that One Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty-one Patients have been admitted to the benefits of it during the course of last year.

GENERAL STATE OF DISPENSARY PATIENTS
Since the Commencement of that Charity.

Patients admitted from Nov. 7. 1776, to Jan. 1. 1797,	20,680
Patients admitted from Jan. 1. 1797, to Jan. 1. 1798,	1,221
Total,	21,901

N. B. From the state of the funds of the Dispensary, the General Meeting, in January 1784, found it necessary to give orders, that those Patients only should be supplied with medicines who were recommended by contributers. This regulation is now so far altered, that all Patients are also admitted to the benefits of the Dispensary, who are recommended as proper objects of charity by a clergyman, or the elder of the bounds in which they reside. This plan is to be continued as long as the funds of the Dispensary will permit, which, however, depend entirely upon the voluntary contributions of the benevolent.

☞ Clubs, Societis, and individual Purchasers in the Lottery, are requested to compare the present Scheme with any that has gone before, and they will find it unquestionably far superior——notwithstanding which, the Tickets and Shares are sold at a much lower rate than they have been for these twenty years past.

ENGLISH STATE LOTTERY, 1797.
Begins drawing February 26. 1798.

THE TICKETS, HALVES, QUARTERS, EIGHTHS, and SIXTEENTHS, are now selling in great variety of Numbers, and on the lowest terms,

The money for the Prizes paid on demand, by

HORNSBY AND CO. STOCK-BROKERS,
At their old established State-Lottery Office, (licensed pursuant to act of Parliament,) No. 26, Cornhill, opposite the Royal Exchange, London; also at Messrs Trewman and Sons, Exeter; and at Mr Thomas's Billinge's, Liverpool.

SCHEME.

No. of Prizes.	Value of each.	Total Value.
4 of L.	20,000	L. 80,000
1 –	20,000 *First Drawn Blank 15th Day*	20,000
1 –	20,000 *First Drawn Ditto 26th Day*	20,000
3 –	10,000	30,000
1 –	10,000 *First Drawn Blank 9th Day*	10,000
1 –	10,000 *First Ditto* ..... *20th Day*	10,000
4 –	5,000	20,000
1 –	5,000 *First Drawn Blank 4th Day*	5,000
5 –	2,000	10,000
10 –	1,000	10,000
1 –	1,000 *First drawn Blank*	1,000
20 –	500	10,000
50 –	100	5,000
100 –	50	5,000
16,500 –	16	264,000
16,702 Prizes		L. 500,000
38,298 Blanks		
55,000 Tickets.		

☞ Orders accompanied with good bills, payable at sight or of a short date, will be punctually attended to.—And country correspondents are requested not to send money in their letters, but to procure of the Postmaster orders on London. Letters (post-paid) duly answered, and Shemes gratis.

All Shares sold at this Office will be stamped, agreeable to act of Parliament, with the words "State Lottery Stamp Office."——Bank, India, and South Sea Stock, with their several Annuities, and all kinds of Government Securities bought and sold by Commission.

TO BE SOLD,

At Easter Dempersone, in the parish of Auchtermuchty,

A THRESHING MILL, with a Shade, both in excellent order. The price and other particulars will be learned by applying to Mr Walker, the proprietor, in Auchtermuchty.

JACKSON'S ASTHMATIC CANDY.

THE superior efficacy of JACKSON'S ASTHMATIC CANDY in complaints of the stomach and lungs, arising from indigestion and flatulency, has been ascertained by the experience of several years. Its peculiar success in Coughs and Colds, and in alleviating the most alarming complaints incident to persons of a gouty, relaxed or asthmatic habit, (which complaints are more particularly prevalent in the foggy and damp season of the winter months) is now universally acknowledged; and, considering it is a medicine in general use, it would have been unnecessary for the proprietor to have repeated his advertisement so often, had not some persons lately obtruded upon the Public, in a spurious medicine under the same name.

It becomes, therefore, necessary to offer this caution, by respectfully informing the Public, that the genuine Medicine is signed on the stamp by J. BARCLAY, the sole proprietor, and may be had as usual, at No. 95, Fleet Market, London, five doors from Fleet Street, in boxes at 2s. 6d. and 1s. 1½d. each, stamp duty included.

It may also be had, by appointment of the Proprietor, of
R. SCOTT, APOTHECARY,
WATSON & CO. AND J. BAXTER,
South Bridge, Edinburgh;

Mackintosh and Co. Inverness.	W. Anderson, Stirling.
R. Morrison and Son, Perth.	A. Barry, Paisley.
J. Allan, Dundee.	E. Humbie, Newcastle.
J. Mennons, Glasgow.	F. Jolly, Carlisle.

And by one or more reputable shopkeepers in most towns of the kingdom.

Also may be had as above,

JACKSON'S PATENT OINTMENT for the ITCH, an infallible cure in thirty-six hours—Jackson's Patent Tincture for the Rheumatism, Gravel, Stone, Bruises, Sprains, &c.—Jackson's British Tooth Powder—Jackson's celebrated Corn Salve—Waite's Genuine Worm Nuts, by Howard and Evans, &c.

THREAD MANUFACTORY,
AND UTENSILS—AT DUNDEE FOR SALE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Trades Hall of Dundee, on Wednesday the 31st day of January 1798, at twelve o'clock noon.

ALL and WHOLE, that large and extensive THREAD MANUFACTORY, situated on the Castlehill of Dundee, lately occupied by John Wemyss and Sons, thread-manufacturers in Dundee, with the whole UTENSILS of said work. Also, Two GARDENS adjoining thereto.

This work has been of a long standing, and well known, lying immediately alongside the river Tay, and has a substantial well-built pier for loading and unloading goods and materials from the river.

Also, that large, new, and commodious LODGING on the north side of the Thread Work, presently possessed by Walter Wemyss.

The manufactory and gardens may be set up together or separately, as will be most agreeable to purchasers.

The title-deeds of the property, inventories of the utensils, with a description of the works, and the articles of sale, may be seen by applying to Thomas Mawer, writer in Dundee, trustee on the estate of the said John Wemyss and Sons; and any further information may be had from James Campbell, W. S. St Andrew's Square, Edinburgh, who will shew the inventory of the utensils, and a description of the manufactory, houses, and ground.

GOLD, SILVER, AND JEWELLERY.

WILLIAM and PATRICK CUNNINGHAM most respectfully acquaint the Public, That in consequence of some mistakes which have recently occurred, they find it necessary to say, they have no concern with a shop for the *Sale of Jewellery*, &c. lately opened on the South Bridge by Mr A. Cunningham, writer, Edinburgh; and therefore request, that their Friends, when they have occasion to oblige them with orders, will call or send to their Shop, south end of the Earthen Mound, as formerly.

For the liberal patronage they have hitherto received, they beg leave to offer most grateful acknowledgments; and at same time embrace the opportunity of informing, that they continue to manufacture SILVER PLATE and JEWELLERY, in all the branches, under their own immediate inspection, by the most eminent workmen—so that they may with confidence assure the Public, that every article sent from their shop will be found to combine the most finished elegance of fashion with substantial workmanship, not inferior in any respect to the produce of the sister kingdom, and on terms more moderate.

The Public have the additional advantage of getting articles manufactured to their own pleasure and taste.

The best price, in money or exchange, for Gold, Silver Jewels, &c.

A SHOP TO BE LET.

To LET, for one or more years, from Whitsunday first,

THAT well frequented SHOP west corner of the Terrace, presently possessed by Messt. Witchell and Bradley, grocers.—Apply to the proprietor.

HOUSE IN TIVIOT-ROW.
TO BE SOLD,

THE fourth HOUSE from the east corner of Tiviot Row, consisting of two flatts, besides the sunk and attic storeys, the back area, cellars, pump-well, and pertinents.

The substantial and convenient manner of finishing and laying out the houses in Tiviot-Row, is too well known to require description. The house will be shewn by Mr Liddle, upholsterer—and offers will be received by Mr Swinton, Queen Street, who has powers to conclude a private bargain.

Not to be repeated.

HOUSE IN GEORGE SQUARE.
FOR SALE BY PRIVATE BARGAIN,

THAT HOUSE in GEORGE SQUARE, north side, presently possessed by William Fairholme, Esq. with coachhouse, stable, and other conveniencies behind.

If not sold, it will be let—entry at Whitsunday next.

To be seen on Wednesdays and Saturdays—from twelve to three o'clock.

For further particulars, apply to John Scott Lindesay, writer, No. 1. St James's Street.

HOUSE IN GEORGE STREET FOR SALE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 9th day of February next, at two o'clock afternoon,

THAT ELEGANT HOUSE, No. 44, north side of George Street, consisting of fifteen fire-rooms, besides various conveniencies, together with back area, coach house, stables, &c. all as presently possessed by Mrs Drummond of Megginch.

The house is in the most complete repair; and a purchaser may have access at Whitsunday next.

Apply to Messt. Dundas and Robertson, clerks to the signet.

TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE BARGAIN,

THAT HOUSE in MERCHANT STREET, presently floors, besides sunk floor, back court, water-pipe, and other conveniencies. The house being large, may be divided into two lodgings, and may be seen on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from twelve to two.

Apply to Alexander Fraser, writer to the signet, North Hanover Street

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC ROUP,

Within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Monday the 29th day of January 1798, between the hours of two and three afternoon,

THAT LARGE HOUSE, at the west end of the village of Corstorphine, with coach-house and stable for four horses, and a small Garden behind the house, all as formerly possessed by the deceased Mrs Clerk of Stonehouse.

The house consists of three floors and garrets—the first containing a dining-room, two smaller rooms, kitchen, and pantry—the second, a drawing-room, large bed-room, and dressing closet—and the third, four bed-rooms, with closets. In the garret floor there is proper accommodation for servants.

Mr Cleghorn, farmer at Corstorphine, will shew the premisses, and for further particulars apply to William Balderston, writer to the signet.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

Within John's Coffeehouse, on Wednesday the 31st curt. at six evening,

THE GROUND or SHOP STOREY of that Tenement lately built by Paterson and Dott, within Stockbridge toll-bar, fronting the new road leading to Frederick-street, containing six fire appartments, and conveniencies, with three cellars in the back area. The subject is well finished and in good repair; and from its vicinity to Saint Bernard's Well, suited for public business.

The proprietor, Alexander M'Intyre, will shew the house, and sell by private bargain—and the title deeds, which are clear, and articles of sale, will be shewn by John Wright, writer in Edinburgh, who is empowered to conclude a private sale, and will explain further particulars.

HOUSES IN HILL STREET FOR SALE.

To be Sold by public voluntary roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, on Friday the 9th day of February next, at two o'clock afternoon,

THE FOLLOWING HOUSES in Hill Street, in the new town of Edinburgh, viz.

I.—The HOUSE possessed by John MacLeod, Esq. of Colbecks.

II.—The one possessed by George Robinson, Esq.

III.—That possessed by Mrs Charteris.

IV.—That possessed by Mr Bently.

V.—That possessed by Mrs Hunter.

VI.—That possessed by Mr Cathcart.

The peculiar advantages of the houses in Hill Street are so generally known, that it is unnecessary to specify them in an advertisement. The public burdens are moderate, in comparison with those of a similar size, situated in those parts of the new town.

For further particulars application may be made to James Home, C. S. Merchant Street.

HOUSE FOR SALE.

To be Sold by auction, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 2d day of February 1798, between the hours of six and seven afternoon,

THE HOUSE which belonged to, and was lately possessed by Miss Dickson of Carberry, and is now possessed by Mrs Beith, being the ground storey and first floor of No. 10. south side of Rose Street, opposite the Physicians Hall, containing six rooms, closets, kitchen, cellars, and other conveniencies, with the back ground thereto belonging.

From the small number of windows in the house, the assessment imposed by the act of this session of Parliament will fall very light.

The title deeds and articles of sale are in the hands of Andrew M'Whinnie, writer, No. 37. North Hanover Street, who has powers to sell by private bargain before the day of roup.

If the house shall not be sold on or before that day, it will thereafter be let for three years.

The house may be seen every lawful day from 12 to 2 o'clock afternoon.

MR CHRISTISON's CLASS.

AS those Gentlemen who attended Mr CHRISTISON's CLASS, High School, during the years 1787, 88, 89, and 90, are to dine at Fortune's Tontine Tavern, on Thursday the first February, 1798—it is requested that all such as mean to attend will please leave their names with the waiter, on or before the 30th instant.

Dinner on the table at half past four o'clock.

HOUSE IN PARLIAMENT CLOSE.

To be SOLD by roup, within Mrs Murray's house, vintner, Parliament Close, on Wednesday the 31st January 1798, between the hours of two and three afternoon,

THAT HOUSE in the President's Stairs, being the third storey above the shops in the south end, belonging to and lately possessed by John Scott, W.S. consisting of five rooms, kitchen, bed closet, and two other closets, pantry, cellars, with catacombs fitted up for upwards of fifty dozen of bottles, and other conveniencies.

The upset price is intended to be 250l. without the insurance or benefit arising from the dividends.

For particulars apply to the proprietor, who will treat with any person intending to allow for the premises, with or without the insurance. The keys will be found at the door below.

DWELLING-HOUSE, &c. IN LEITH.

To be Sold by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 7th day of February next, between the hours of one and two afternoon,

THAT Elegant DWELLING-HOUSE in Constitution Street, Leith, with the Garden, Coach-house, and Stables, as presently possessed by Mr Cheape.

AS ALSO,

That DWELLING-HOUSE, possessed by Mr Millar, fronting Quality Street, with the warehouses and cellars adjoining thereto, occupied by Messt. William Hagart and Sons.

The articles of roup and progress of writs may be seen in the hands of A. M. Guthrie, and Andrew Storie, W. S. No. 24. North Hanover Street, who have power to conclude a private bargain betwixt and the day of sale.

SALE OF SUBJECTS IN LEITH,
AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

To be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 31st January current, at two o'clock afternoon,

THE following SUBJECTS, lying at the foot of St Andrew's Street in Leith, which belonged to the now deceased William Drysdale, merchant in Leith, and afterwards to David Drysdale, his son.

A DWELLING-HOUSE and SHOP, possessed by Mrs Davidson, at 5l. of yearly rent.

A HOUSE possessed by Alexander Forsyth, at 3l.

A HOUSE and two SHOPS, possessed by Alexander Henderson, at 14l.

Two FLATS above the shops, possessed by sundry tenants at about 28l. of yearly rent.

A large LOFT for VICTUAL, immediately above the dwelling-houses, for which about 4l. is drawn yearly.

For further particulars application may be made to Charles Selkrig, accountant in Edinburgh, or to John Syme, W. S.

And as Mr Selkrig means immediately to divide the funds of the said William and David Drysdale which have been recovered, it is requested that such of the creditors who have not already done so, will immediately lodge with him their grounds of debt, and oaths on the verity.

SALE OF HOUSES IN QUEEN STREET, AND OF THE COWGATE, WELL ADAPTED FOR A MANUFACTORY.

To be SOLD by Auction in John's Coffeehouse, upon Tuesday the 30th of January curt. between the hours of one and two afternoon,

1. THE TWO UPPERMOST STOREYS of that HOUSE, No. 23, entering from North Hanover Street, and looking to Queen Street. The Undermost Storey, possessed by Alexander Guthrie, Esq. consists of six rooms, bed-closet, kitchen, and other conveniencies, and has three cellars belonging to it, one of which is fitted up with catacombs—The other Storey, possessed by Mr Schenniman, consists of five rooms, kitchen, and other conveniencies, and has two cellars belonging to it. These two storeys have sometimes been occupied as one house, and are fit to accommodate a very numerous family. They will be sold together or separately, as purchasers incline.

2. The TWO UPPERMOST STOREYS of the North West Corner House of NORTH ST DAVID's STREET, entering therefrom, and looking to Queen Street. The Undermost Storey consists of four rooms, kitchen, cellars, and other conveniencies, and the Uppermost consists of three rooms, kitchen, cellars, and other conveniencies. They will be sold in one lot, and may be possessed together or separately.

3. That LODGING in QUEEN STREET, possessed by Miss Smith, being the second storey of the first tenement entering from Queen Street, to the westward of North St David Street, consisting of four rooms, kitchen, an excellent larder, cellar, and other conveniencies.

4. That LODGING at the North East Corner of NORTH HANOVER STREET, entering from Queen Street, possessed by Mrs Grant, consisting of three rooms, kitchen, closet, cellar, water pipe, and other conveniencies.

5. That LARGE TENEMENT in M'CONOCHIE's CLOSE, Cowgate Head, lately built by William M'Conochie, consisting of four storeys, at present divided into dwelling houses. This tenement, which stands by itself at the head of the close, is remarkably well aired and lighted, and consists of upwards of 20 apartments, many of which might be divided into two, is particularly calculated for carrying on a manufactory, or any other public undertaking.

The Lodgings in Queen Street will be shewn by the possessors at any time between and the day of sale; and George Arthur Wright, Alison's Close, Cowgate Head, will shew the tenement in M'Conochie's Close. The title-deeds are in the hands of Alexander Wight, W.S. 25, North Hanover Street, to whom any person wishing further information, or to purchase any of the subjects by private bargain, before the day of sale may apply.

To Mrs SPILSBURY, Soho Square.

MADAM,

IT is with great gratitude and thankfulness I announce to you, that I have been cured of an inveterate Scurvey by the use of your excellent Drops, after having been afflicted 13 years, and despairing of ever being able to find any relief, as all the means I had used proved ineffectual. When I first commenced taking your invaluable medicine, I could scarce get my living; but after I had taken only one bottle, I found a considerable alteration, which encouraged me to persevere; and, by the blessing of God, I am now restored to perfect health,

Your most humble servant,
August 16. 1797. JOHN COLE,
No. 4. Brother's Buildings,
Queen Anne Street, East.

I believe the relation given by Mr Cole of his cure to be strictly true. *George Cuffons.* No. 115, Wardour Street, Soho.

The Drops are sold at the Dispensary in Soho Square—and
Mr SCOTT, Apothecary, and } 2 South Bridge,
Mr J. BAXTER, Italian Warehouse, } Edinburgh,
Are appointed Wholesale Agents, where the inhabitants of Scotland, and the Venders of patent medicines may be supplied on the same terms as at the Dispensary, Soho Square.

These DROPS may also be had in bottles of 1l. 2s. and 5s. each, duty included, of

Mr John Buchanan, jun. Sun Fire Office, Glasgow.	
Mr Keltie, perfumer, N. Town.	Messt. Morison & Son, Perth
J. Mennons and J. Duncan, Glasgow	Mr Thomson, Aberdeen
	Mr Dickson, druggist, and
A. Barry, Paisley	Mr Inglis, Dumfries
Maclean, Greenock	Walker & Hodson, Newcastle
M'Intosh, Inglis & Wilson, Inverness—Tho. Cave, Banff	Mr Jollie, Carlisle
	Mr James Paton, and
John Allan, Dundee	Mr P. Craigie, Montrose.
Mr Scott, surgeon, Kelso	Mr Dempster, Cupar Fife.
Mr Dick, Surgeon, Dundee	Mr Millar, druggist, Berwick.
Mr Anderson, Stirling	Mr Gray, ditto.

Theatre-Royal.

On SATURDAY, Jan. 27. will be presented,
A Comedy called
THE BELLES STRATAGEM.
Doricourt, Mr CAMPBELL.—Sir George Touchwood, Mr WOODS.—Flutter, Mr LEE LEWES.—and Letitia Hardy, by Mrs KEMBLE.
Between the Play and Farce,
A favourite DUET, by Mr COOKE and Mr DENMAN.
To which will be added, a Farce, called
THE KING AND MILLER OF MANSFIELD.
The King, Mr WOODS. — The Miller, Mr KEMBLE.

On MONDAY next will be presented,
for the first time this season,
THE CURE FOR THE HEART-ACHE.
Old Rapid, Mr LEE LEWES.—Charles, Mr CAMPBELL.
The rest of the Characters as performed last season.

☞ The HEIR AT LAW is in rehersal, and will very speedily be brought forward.—The CASTLE SPECTRE will shortly be produced, with new Scenery, Dresses, and every decoration necessary to the Piece.

Doors to be opened at Six, to begin precisely at Seven.
Tickets to be had, and places for the boxes to be taken at the box-office of the Theatre-Royal.

LONDON GAZETTE, January 20.

ADMIRALTY OFFICE, January 20. 1798.

Copy of a letter from Captain Sir EDWARD PELLEW, Commander of his Majesty's ship Indefatigable, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated at sea, the 11th of January 1798.

SIR,

I HAVE the pleasure to inform you, that I have captured this day, in company with the Cambrian and Childers, a French schooner privateer, Le Vengeur, of 12 guns and 72 men, quite new, eight days from Ostend, without having made any prizes, and have sent her to Falmouth.

I have the honour to be, &c.
EDWARD PELLEW.

Copy of a letter from Sir EDWARD PELLEW, Bart. Captain of his Majesty's ship Indefatigable, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated at sea, the 16th instant.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you, that this evening, after a chace of four hours, the squadron in company, I had the pleasure to capture L'Inconcevable French privateer, from Dunkirk, out 10 days, taken nothing, armed with 8 guns, and manned with 55 men.

I have the honour to be, &c.
EDW. PELLEW.

London.

JANUARY 22.

In consequence of the non-arrival of the Hamburgh mails, much uneasiness has prevailed for several days, respecting the state of affairs on the Elbe; apprehensions are entertained that the French influence, reigning paramount, has extended the prohibition of English merchandize, published in France, to the cities of Hamburgh and Altona—not that the failure of three mails at any other period would be considered matter of any surprize, particularly as the wind has been for some time past, extremely unfavourable for the sailing of the packets.

ice in the Elbe, which obstructs the navigation, we put no confidence.

The Prince of Orange Packet has arrived from Cuxhaven, with an Italian messenger, having left that place on the 11th instant; no intelligence has, however, been received by this conveyance, except what relates to the apprehension of the people at Cuxhaven; on this ground alone it is submitted to merchants, that the shipping of goods for the Elbe should be for the present suspended.

We believe all the alarm which has gone forth on this subject, has been occasioned by accounts originally received from France. Private letters from thence, handed about in the city on Saturday, operate not a little to depress the public mind.

It was reported on that day that Mr Frazer, our Envoy at Hamburgh, had arrived, but this rumour, it appears, was unfounded, hopes are therefore entertained that things are not in so bad a state as has been represented

The following notice was on Friday stuck up at Lloyd's:

"By letters from France, we are informed that vessels with English goods on board are in the utmost danger at Hamburgh and Altona; and that all shipments may be suspended till further orders. We learn also, that all vessels bound to France from England will be seized on their arrival."

Insurances are much advanced at Lloyd's in consequence of the swarm of French privateers which infest the coast and channel—few ships can be done at any price without convoy.

The insurance of American ships from London to any of the United States, or the Bahama islands, has experienced considerable advance during the last week, in consequence of the arrete of the Directory, subjecting neutral vessels freighted with British property to confiscation. On the 12th inst. the rates were thus:

	Guineas per Cent
From London to Florida, Georgia, or other States, American ships	10 to 15

On the 19th the charges were,

From London to the United States, American bottoms	15 or 20
Ditto British vessels	returning 10

A number of persons have taken their departure within the last three days for Hamburgh, with a view to save, if possible, the English property which had been consigned to their correspondents in that city. It is devoutly to be wished that their efforts may be successful.

There are, it is very confidently reported, nearly 400 sail of shipping collected in the Scheldt for the reception of troops.

Having possessed themselves of Rome, there is little doubt but that the French will attempt an invasion of the Neapolitan dominions—their success, however, must be doubtful. Naples is about 300 English miles from Rome; the passes are very mountainous and strongly defended, and the King of Naples, apprehensive of such an attempt, has strengthened to the utmost his whole frontier line, by a well disciplined army of 80,000 men.

It is reported, as a matter of certainty, (say some letters from Manheim), that 25,000 men, under General Championnet, are marched to take possession of the Electorate of Hanover. The troops traverse Hesse and Westphalia.

A letter from Semlin (Turkey) 7th December, states—"We learn, that the Turkish rebels are in full march for Belgrade, with the determined resolution to carry that place, which has but a feeble garrison."

Buonaparte has given 30,000 francs for the expedition against England. Great activity is used in building a great number of flat-bottomed boats. The General has daily conferences at the house of the Minister of the Marine, with a great number of naval officers.

The Swiss are becoming very much tired of French company, and alarmed for their independence. Both parties which divided Switzerland have resolved to lay aside private quarrels, and unite for the preservation of the rights of the Helvetic Body, and repel force by force. The Directory officially disown the measures of their General, St Cyr, but little faith is put in their protestations.

The new name given to the corps of Conde, which has marched into the Russian Provinces, in Poland, is that of "the Imperial Army of Conde." This corps does not form a part of the Russian army of the line, but remains under the immediate orders of the Prince of Conde. It consists of five regiments, called after their respective Colonels; namely, the regiment of Conde, entirely composed of noblemen, and the regiments of Berry, of Bourbon, of Enghein, and of Hohenlohe. They had no sooner reached the Russian territory than they were received with the utmost distinction, in obedience to the express orders of Paul I. The place of Great Prior of the Order of Malta in Poland, to which the Prince of Conde was appointed on his arrival in Petersburgh, is worth about 50,000 crowns yearly.

Letters from Jamaica state, that an invasion of that island is threatened by the brigands of St Domingo, who are in great force. "The brigands" say these letters, "assert that the only power necessary to be kept in St Domingo, to oppose the English is—the power of the climate."

NAUTICAL INTELLIGENCE.

Friday, sailed from St Helen's the Prince of 98 guns, Admiral Curtis——Formidable, 98, Admiral Thompson—Sans Pareille, 80—La Pompee, Cæsar, Saturn, and Defiance, of 74 guns each—Lion, 64, and Pallas frigate, on a cruize; and Atlantic frigate with a convoy for Guernsey.

Orders are gone down from the Admiralty for the Channel fleet, under the command of Admiral Lord Bridport, to put to sea with all possible dispatch. It is expected to sail by the middle of next week at farthest, and to consist of 27 sail of the line.

A small squadron, consisting of the Ganges, Adamant, and America, is ordered to cruize off the Dutch coast. The Glatton, Leopard, Director, and Repulse, which, with the former at Yarmouth, will shortly follow.

The outward-bound West India fleet was spoken on the 14th inst. by the Irresistible, of 74 guns, in lat. 46. 55. long. 9. 6. west, all well.

Captain Bergeret, who commanded La Virginie, when that frigate was captured by Sir Edward Pellew, has gone to France, to represent to the Directory the humane and liberal treatment which the French prisoners experience in this country, and to solicit his own exchange for Sir Sydney Smith.

A letter from Weymouth states as follow:—"An English Captain and one Lady came in the Packet from [illegible] on Wednesday last; they left St Maloes on Monday. In answer to the question, how forward the French were in their expedition for invading England? they informed, that at the above port there were only four gun-boats in their frame, and had been lying so these two years; but the people of all ranks speak very much of invading this country; they also say that the English will not exchange prisoners, and we have now shut all their countrymen up in close prisons, and are going to starve them.

"An English Captain was about to make his escape over the wall of the prison where he was confined; the French centinel saw him, and instantly run his bayonet into his body, and in drawing his musquet back, left the bayonet behind; the Captain then fell from the wall, drew the bayonet out of his body, and thrust it it into the centinel's, and they both died side by side."

A correspondent, having perused an article in our paper relative to three vessels, which are stiled rafts, having sailed from North America about 30 years since, two of which arrived safe in the Thames—requests us to insert the following description, which may be depended on:

"In the year 1768, two merchants of Boston in New England, concerned with others at Piscataqua, concerted a plan for building those vessels, by way of evading certain duties in the port of London.—They were, with the exception of a small vacancy for the crew, solid beds of timber of various scantlings, coated with fir plank, bound by trenails, the seams caulked and paved with pitch; their form and dimensions were those of a brig of 200 tons, but very flat, and lightly rigged in a similar manner.—Had they been allowed to pass as rafts, though by no means answering that description, they were to be taken to pieces and sold, and to be followed by many others; but the scheme was frustrated by their being seized by the officers of the Customs, and afterwards condemned, as being sent with a design to defraud the revenue.—Our correspondent perfectly remembers seeing them lie unrigged in Blackwall Creek."—*Star.*

The Ariadne fur ship, from Quebec, lately captured and carried into Bourdeaux, had on board, besides other valuable articles of that kind, sixty thousand beaver skins, valued altogether at upwards of two hundred thousand pounds. As soon as the loss of the above vessel was confirmed beyond a doubt, beaver wool rose forty per cent.

PORTSMOUTH, JANUARY 21.

Two Jews are just apprehended and lodged in gaol for treasonable practices, having papers containing soundings, marks of the harbour, &c. in their possession.

The basons forming in Portsmouth dock-yard, and the works going on at the gun wharf, have been much retarded by the incessant rains which we have had of late.

The Queen Charlotte is in dock, and from the number of hands employed about her, she may be soon expected to be refitted. The Duke is waiting to take her birth. The Triumph may be expected out the first week in February. The Barfleur and Bellona are in harbour refitting, having been in dock.

Arrived the Eurydice sloop of war from Lisbon, with the trade under her convoy, all of which are safe arrived.

The Diamond, Hydra, and another frigate, are about to sail on a cruize off the coast of France.

The Court-Martial upon General Wemyss is concluded—He made his defence on Saturday, which was read by his friend Counsellor Miles—it was manly, nervous, and energetic; but the result cannot be known till it has received his Majesty's approbation.

VOLUNTARY SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The arrangements are now completely made at the Bank, for receiving sums on account of voluntary contributions, or in payment of assessed taxes imposed by the late act of Parliament, or on both accounts jointly; and books are now opened for these purposes, which we have no doubt will soon exhibit the most decisive and honourable proofs of public spirit and patriotism.

On Friday several dignified persons, both in church and state, sent letters to the Bank, announcing their intention of subscribing to the voluntary contributions.

A house of the first respectability in the city, on Saturday solicited to be informed of the persons and sums then entered; but to each received a positive denial, in consequence of orders to that effect.

The multitude, conceiving that the stake at issue is proportioned to the property and consequence of the individual, naturally look for example to the higher orders. Many of the best disposed, ignorant of the conduct of the more opulent, apprehend that their contributions would only add to their own embarrassment—whilst, from the delay of the opulent, suspicion and consequent displeasure occupy the minds of the rest. The effect of example is obvious in all cases—the want of it on the present is injurious, not merely in the loss of what might otherwise be subscribed, but in impressing our enemies with an idea, that those who had most at issue were insensible, or unworthy of their stations; and that the public sentiment was adverse to the cause.

The cautious concealment of the subscribers, contrary to established usage, is attributed to a desire to conceal the omission of names, which, from every principle of general action, should have been most conspicuous.

The Consul Lavinius (A. R. 542) observed, that, "As the Magistrates were above the Lictors by their rank, and the Senators above private Citizens—— so ought they to set them an example, when the question was to aid their country, and to take the heaviest and most oppressive loads upon themselves. If you are for finding in inferiors docility and submission, in respect to taxes and imposts, do you and yours contribute first yourselves. The expence will be less felt by the small, when they see the great impose more upon themselves than they would be obliged to pay."

Admiral Colpoys, than whom the service, perhaps, does not boast a better officer, or the world a better man, and Lord Carrington, were amongst the first contributors. Lord Bridport and the Speaker on Saturday put down their names; but though the books have been opened some days, the aggregate does not exceed 10,000l.

By an extraordinary oversight in correcting the last revise of the act of Parliament, the term at which the exception for the tax on horses and carriages concludes is differently dated. The exception was originally intended to conclude on the 10th of October, but in order to lighten the burden, it was afterwards extended to the 1st of November. Both dates stand in the act of Parliament, and of course the Commissioners must be guided by the first date on all their decisions.

There has been some misunderstanding at the Bank about the interpretation of the act of Parliament. It was supposed that persons only could subscribe who paid down the whole sum which they affixed to their names. Books, however, are now opened for subscriptions to be paid by instalments, a measure more generally convenient to individuals, and equally beneficial to the State.

Fifteen domestics, in the service of a gentleman at Bath, have offered to relinquish a portion of their wages to aid in the payment of the addition to the assessed taxes imposed on their master by the late act. The butler gives 10l. the others in proportion to two guineas annually, during the continuance of the law.

The King on Saturday took the diversion of hunting—a deer was turned out at Tower Hill; it afforded but little sport, taking the Swinley paddocks, it leaped over the pailing and intermixed with a herd feeding in pasture; another reckoned by the sportsmen a favourite, named Gamester, was set off, and would have taken the same course, but one of the hounds following close, laid hold of his shoulder; he however soon disengaged himself, and ran with astonishing swiftness towards Bagshot, pursuing the chace through King's Beech Hill, Brumel Hurst, through Cobham, passing Sir Anthony Abney's seat at the verge of the Forest, and running across the New Cut, was taken on Working Common, near Guildford, after a chace of three hours; the King and the noble sportsmen were completely tired; his Majesty had 17 miles to ride home after his diversion.

It has been lately signified, from the office of the Secretary at War, to the commanders of volunteer corps, that such as wish for being employed in the more immediate active service of their country, will have a station assigned them in the eastern district, within two miles of the sea coast of Norfolk, where every thing will be provided for their accommodation.

If the French really intend to make an attempt on this country, they must be aware, that there is a great military force for its protection, far exceeding any military preparations in the days of our forefathers. It may be computed at not less than 220,000 soldiers, including the militia. How much superior this to the means of defence that were prepared in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, when England was, as it is now, menaced with the inroads of a powerful and a veteran army! The whole force then collected, was as follows:

On the southern coast	—	—	—	20,000
At Tilbury	—	—	—	22,000
And horse	—	—	—	1,000
Main army	—	—	—	34,000
With horse	—	—	—	2,000
				79,000

The Countess of Northampton last week gave gowns, petticoats, and shoes, to eighty poor women in the neighbourhood of her seat in Rutlandshire.

The game in Ireland is now completely preserved, without being indebted to the game laws. Gentlemen are afraid to venture, even on their domains, to sport, under the apprehension of being disarmed by the enraged peasantry.

Yesterday afternoon the body of Mr Martin, the attorney, was interred in the burial ground in Fetter-lane. The corpse, borne by some of the friends of the deceased, was followed by about 70 of the Corresponding Society, with cloaks, scarfs, &c. as mourners.—A number of city officers attended, by order of the magistrates, to prevent any but mourners from entering the burial ground. The procession, for the purpose of [illegible] rade, walked from a house at the corner of Clifford's Inn in Fleet-street, passed Fetter-lane, and going [illegible] Fleet market, entered it again at the Holborn end.

The funeral service was over in a few minutes—the constables saw the mourners return to Fleet-street, and thus the business terminated without any of the indecorum expected, if we except a challenge to box, given by one of Mr Martin's followers to the driver of Dr Lettsom's chariot, who inadvertently came too close upon the rear of the procession.

A young woman of the name of Carver, housemaid to Captain Sir Richard Pearson, of Greenwich Hospital, proves to be the daughter of the late Captain Carver, of Great Transatlantic celebrity, who acquired a vast tract of country in the Back Settlements of America. This the Indians have faithfully guaranteed, and preserved for his legal representative, who is at length indisputably found in the fortunate young woman above-mentioned. The territory, in times of peace, is estimated at the value of 100,000l. Sterling!

Yesterday morning, a journeyman baker undertook for a wager of a guinea, to run twenty times round St Paul's Church-yard in the space of one hour, which he performed in 50 minutes.

A poor mendicant was last week taken into the Workhouse of the parish of St Mary-le-Bonne, in a most shocking situation, and apparently starving for want. On being put to bed, he expressed a very great solicitude not to have his tattered rag of a coat taken from him, which gave rise to an examination, when, a different parts of the garment, property to the amount of near sixteen pounds was discovered. The poor wretch only survived two days, having, with this money about him, denied himself the common necessaries of life.—He was a beggar, and his station was in Oxford Street nearly facing the end of Rathbone Place.

BOW-STREET, Jan. 18.

A Frenchman brought up for re-examination on the charge of taking a bundle from a boy in Sloan-street, Chelsea, Mr Ford, who originally heard the complaint, not being present, the prisoner was remanded.

One Clutterbuck, a private in the Guards, was again brought up respecting the abstracting of a banker's chest, which he pretended he had found, and was remitted for farther examination. One Richardson, who was suspected of having been concerned with him, was, by consent of the prosecutor, discharged.

The constables, who were charged on Monday last with receiving a 1l. note for discharging the two girls who were taken to St Martin's watch-house, were informed by Sir William Addington, that he should lay the matter before the Chairman, the next session, and that they must abide the consequence.

Elias Joseph, a Jew, for passing bad money, was brought up, when it appeared that Mr Thompson, an auctioneer in St Martin's-lane, had purchased of him half a dozen of oranges, and given him half-a-crown to change, which the prisoner put into his mouth, and returned to Mr Thompson, (as he Mr Thompson thought) whereupon Mr Thompson gave him another half-crown, which having put to his mouth, he had the audacity to say was a bad one; on which Mr Thompson suspecting him, he immediately took the prisoner by the collar, and observing something in the prisoners mouth, gave him a blow, which forced a half-crown thereout, which Mr Thompson taking up, found it to be the half-crown he had given to the prisoner, and accordingly brought him before the Magistrates at this office.—On searching the prisoner, eight bad shillings were found in his waistcoat pocket, and a number of good ones in a bag,

Mr Thompson, and the officer who searched the prisoner, were bound over to prosecute, and the prisoner fully committed.

In consequence of a letter from the Duke of Portland to the Magistrates, informing them that seditious meetings were held at different public houses in the city of Westminster, Sir William Addington, assisted by the patrole, went last night to a house in Grafton Street, and apprehended a number of Frenchmen, and other foreigners, several of whom were gambling in a back parlour, who were this day brought up for examination, and privately examined by Sir William Addington and —— Ford, Esq. and by them committed to Tothill fields Bridewell, till their names were sent to the Duke of Portland for his direction, and others till they can find bail for their good behaviour.

PROLOGUE

TO "SECRETS WORTH KNOWING."

Written by WILLIAM THOMAS FITZGERALD, Esq.
Spoken by Mr WHITFIELD.

From Dryden's period to our present days,
Thus Would-be-Critics censure modern Plays—
Some are too dull, without intrigue or jest,
And some are speaking Pantomimes at best.
The living authors are by dead surpast,
So we must write the worst who write the last;
Still each new Drama captiously they blame,
And though the Town be pleas'd, deny it fame.
Should this decision be allow'd as just,
The bays, denied the bard, may grace his bust!
But if this taste for antiques we pursue,
Age may improve wit, wine, and women too.
"Our beaux will then neglect the young and fair,
"And auburn tresses yield to hoary hair.
"The blooming maid, with every charm and grace,
"The dimpled cheek, the fascinating face,
"With nature, truth, and honour by her side,
"This taste may doom to be a weeping Bride!"
One old opinion we would still maintain,
The Right that England has to rule the Main!
Long as the sea shall fence our envied land,
Long as our Navy shall that sea command,
So long shall *Howe's, St Vincent's, Duncan's* name,
Be 'grav'd, by memory, on the rock of Fame!
The page of hist'ry shall their deeds repeat,
With Britain's triumph, and the Foe's defeat!
But, ah! the pensive Muse, with tearful eye,
View's Glory's brightest triumph with a sigh!
And, 'midst the shouts victorious fleets attend,
Mourns o'er the ashes of an honour'd friend,
Who in his country's quarrel fought and bled,
By England number'd with her Patriot dead—
May War's alarms 'twixt rival nations cease,
And all embrace that lovely stranger—Peace!
Whose olive branch, once planted by her hand,
Shall bless a loyal, brave, and happy land!

[*After a pause.*]

This night our Author's hopes on you are plac'd—
His former efforts by your smiles were grac'd,
To your decree, submissively he bends,
Trusting his judges will be found his friends.

SWITZERLAND.

By accounts from Bern, of the 28th December, it appears that the greateſt unanimity prevailed in the Councils of that State; that all political diſputes were ſo entirely laid aſide, that the firſt deputy appointed to the Diet had been ſupported, and even nominated, by the very party whoſe meaſures he had hitherto uniformly oppoſed.

The ſame ſpirit continued to animate the troops as well as the inhabitants at large; thoſe of the Pays de Vaud in particular had given the moſt unqueſtionable proofs of their affection and fidelity to the Government.

The French Generals, alarmed at the military appearance and enthuſiaſm of the troops of the Canton of Bern, apprehenſive alſo of a general inſurrection in the Proteſtant part of the Biſhopric of Baſle, had withdrawn their forces from the territory of Bienne, and from the whole of the plain country, and had retired into the Jura.

The inhabitants of Bienne had diſplaced the Municipal officers choſen by the French, and had called on the neighbouring Cantons to guarantee their ancient rights and priviliges.

The Cantons of Zurich, Soleure, and Fribourg, had warmly approved the conduct of the Government of Bern; and there ſeems every reaſon to believe, that with the exception of Baſle, all the other States will act in perfect concert with the leading Canton.

A diſavowal of any hoſtile intention, and ſome awkward explanations of the circumſtances accompanying the invaſion, had been given by Mr Bacher; and it may be collected from the language of ſome of the French Journals, and the total ſilence of others which were lately loud on the ſubject, that the Directory has experienced a ſevere diſappointment on this occaſion, and that it is now perſuaded that its friends in Switzerland had given very falſe accounts both of their own ſtrength, and of the temper and ſpirit of the Government and the inhabitants.

In the mean time, Switzerland continues to be inundated with French libels; the diſaffected ſubjects, who have quitted their reſpective Cantons, are invited to civic feaſts in the houſe of the new French Miniſter at Baſle; and the whole attention of the French Government ſeems now to be directed to the ſeparating ſome one or more of the Cantons from the Confederacy. In this attempt it is generally believed that the French will ſucceed only with the Canton of Baſle. Since the French have obtained poſſeſſion of the Porentrui, and the country called the Frichthal, (which the Auſtrians appear to have ceded by ſome ſecret article of the treaty of Campo Formio,) this ſmall Canton is left entirely at the mercy of the French.

We are happy in having an opportunity to lay before our readers the note that Mr Wickham delivered to the Helvetic Body on his recall.

In the language and conduct which the Britiſh Miniſter was directed to hold upon this occaſion, the world will ſee a new proof of the extreme moderation by which his Majeſty's conduct towards neutral nations has uniformly been guided.

[TRANSLATION.]

Frankfort, Nov. 22. 1797.

" MAGNIFICENT AND POWERFUL LORDS,

" Although your Lordſhips have not communicated to me the demand which the Executive Directory of France lately made to you concerning my miſſion, I could not, however, be ignorant of what was notorious to all Switzerland, and I in conſequence deemed it my duty to communicate it to my Court, not omitting at the ſame time, to point out the inſulting manner in which it was tranſmitted to your Lordſhips.

" In the whole of this tranſaction, which attacks alike the law of nations, and your antient dignity and independence, the King has not failed to obſerve the perfidious intention of diſſolving the ties of friendſhip which have at all times attached his Majeſty to your States, and the premeditated plan of undermining the very foundations of your confederacy.

" Perſuaded of this truth, his Majeſty (who, in ſending his Miniſter into Switzerland, wiſhed to give a proof of his good will and friendſhip towards you), will not allow his reſidence there to ſerve as a pretext to the hoſtile projects of a neighbour, whoſe ambition reſpects neither juſtice nor the laws of ſovereignty, and who is actuated with no other deſire than to introduce in your happy countries that deſtructive ſyſtem, from which, by the help of Divine Providence, you have been hitherto enabled to protect them. The King has in conſequence ſignified his commands, that his whole miſſion ſhould withdraw from your territories without loſs of time.

" In communicating this reſolution to your Lordſhips, I have the King's expreſs commands to aſſure you, that it is dictated by no other motive than his anxious ſolicitude for the preſervation of your tranquillity; and that your Lordſhips may fully rely on a continuance of that good will and friendſhip which have ever formed the baſis of his Majeſty's conduct in all his tranſactions with your ſtates.

" I eagerly embrace this opportunity to expreſs to you individually, my acknowledgements for the manner in which your Lordſhips have been pleaſed to receive me during my miſſion, and my regret at being no longer the organ of the benevolent ſentiments of my Sovereign towards you.

" In offering up my ſincereſt prayers for the proſperity and tranquillity of your ſtates, I have the honour to be, with the higheſt conſideration,

" Magnificent and Powerful Lords,

" W. WICKHAM."

—MARRIED.—

Lord Sheffield to Lady Ann North, daughter of the late Earl of Guildford—being his third marriage.

—DIED—

On Wedneſday laſt, at Clifton, near Briſtol, General Sir John Dalling, Bart. Colonel of the 37th foot.

Lately, in the Eaſt Indies, Lieutenant-Colonel John Coxe.

CORN EXCHANGE, Jan. 22.

We had a conſiderable ſupply of Wheat to-day, both from Eſſex and Kent; and although the general ſale was dull, yet as ſome heavy White Wheat ſold as high as laſt week, cannot, with propriety, note any alteration in prices.

Fine Barley is full 1s. per quarter lower, and inferior ſorts more, owing to a great declenſion in Malt.

We had but few Oats freſh in to-day; but ſeveral foreign ladings and coaſtwiſe dropping in laſt week, the ſale is heavy at full 1s. per quarter declenſion from laſt Monday.

Beans and Peaſe continue nearly the ſame.

	s.	s.	d.		s.	s.	d.
Engliſh Wheat,	40	48	0	Malt,	35	37	0
Eſſex,	50	52	0	Fine,	—	—	—
Barley,	21	24	0	New Oats,	14	16	0
Fine,	—	25	0	Mealing,	10	18	0

—STOCKS—

BANK STOCK ——		5 *per cent. Ann.*	69¼ ¼ ½
3 *per cent. con.*	47¼ ½	*Long Ann.*	13 5-16 ⅜
4 *per cent.*	59½ ¼	*Short,*	6 5-16

Caledonian Mercury.

EDINBURGH—JANUARY 25.

No Hamburgh mails have arrived ſince our laſt; they are anxiouſly expected eſpecially by the mercantile intereſt, who entertain very ſerious apprehenſions as to the ſafety of Britiſh property in that port.

A letter from an officer in the iſland of Jerſey, to his friend in Edinburgh, dated January 15, ſays:—" We are every moment in expectation of the French landing in this iſland; ſo much ſo, that every regiment is obliged to remain under arms during the night, and take their reſt in the day time. It has been reported to the Commander in Chief of this iſland, that there are 30,000 French troops embarked, and that there are ready thirty gun-boats and frigates, which can come over in the ſpace of two hours, which keeps us conſtantly on our guard. All the inhabitants are under arms, but am afraid, if put to the trial, they will give very little aſſiſtance."

The iſland of Jerſey is not above twelve miles long and ſix broad; it is defended by rocks and dangerous quick ſands. The inhabitants are computed at 20,000, a mixture of French and Engliſh. The principal manufacture is knit ſtockings and caps. In the valleys are plenty of cattle and ſheep; but it does not raiſe corn ſufficient for its conſumpt.

Paragraph of a letter from Captain P. C. Durham, of the Anſon frigate, dated Plymouth, January 18, 1798:

" I am juſt arrived with the Daphne, a French frigate, which I took a few days ago, carrying 30 guns and 267 men, and having on board two commiſſioners for the Weſt Indies. I have likewiſe re-taken three ſhips.—It is fortunate, I had none hurt on board, although it was in the night, and I put the Anſon alongſide, the only way to do with Frenchmen. I have much ſatisfaction in this capture, as ſhe was the firſt ſhip I had the honour to command, and was the only Engliſh frigate in poſſeſſion of the enemy."

Yeſterday Mrs NATALI CORRI was ſafely delivered of a Son.

Mrs MARY BEVERIDGE, widow of the Rev. Mr William Beath of Pitgornie, died here the 22d curt.

Died at Kilmarnock, the 19th curt. Mrs SUSANNAH KENNEDY, late of the Sun Inn there, in the 83d year of her age.

Died, on Sunday morning, Mr THOMAS RANKINE, manufacturer, Glaſgow.

On Saturday laſt, the Right. Hon. Lord SEAFORTH arrived at Dumbreck's Hotel, St Andrew's Square.

Monday the 22d current, arrived at Ballantyne's Lodgings, George Street, Sir GEORGE DUNBAR of Mochrum, Bart. on his way to London.

Lieutenant-General Sir ROBERT ABERCROMBY is appointed ſecond in command in North Britain, *vice* Sir HECTOR MONRO, promoted to the rank of General in the army. He arrived laſt night at Dumbrecks Hotel, St Andrews Square.

Captain BLAIR, 1ſt battalion Royals, is appointed aid-de-camp to Lord ADAM GORDON, in room of Captain GORDON.

The Corporation of the Trinity-houſe, Hull, have ſubſcribed 500l. towards the exigencies of the State.

On Tueſday next the 30th curt. there will be an ASSEMBLY at Leith. Ladies tickets to be had of the Members—Gentlemens tickets iſſued at Mr WILLIS's ſhop, Leith, on producing an order from a Subſcriber. No tickets given out, or money taken at the door.

The dancing to begin at ſeven, and end at one o'clock.

The following melancholy cataſtrophe took place on Wedneſday evening the 17th:—As JOHN TURNBULL, tenant in Kirklands, near Hume, was returning home from Dunſe on horſeback, he was met, near Gavinton, by two carters driving their horſes at full ſpeed a-breaſt; and, the road being too narrow to admit of his eſcape, he was trodden down by the horſes, and killed on the ſpot. We underſtand his horſe was alſo ſo much bruiſed that it died in a few hours.—And, a few days ago, an accident, attended with almoſt equally fatal conſequences, occurred at Ford, in Mid Lothian:—As Mr THOMAS RIDDEL, millwright in Kelſo, was riding down the ſteep path at Ford Path-head, he was ſuddenly overtaken by a carter, driving a pair of horſes at full gallop, and, before he was able to make an effort to ſave himſelf, he was run over, and one of his legs and thighs broken and bruiſed in a moſt ſhocking manner. His life is yet deſpaired of.

We ſincerely hope, that the above melancholy conſequences, of a practice as frequent as diſgraceful in this country, will engage the moſt vigilant attention of the Magiſtracy in diſcovering the perpetrators; and that they will meet with the puniſhment they ſo richly deſerve.

To the many fatal accidents that happen in croſſing the river Findhorn, we are concerned to add, that a few days ago the boat over that river at Ardclach was overſet, and the boatman and a paſſenger drowned.

FIRES.

Yeſterday evening, a fire broke out in the Lint Mills at Collington, belonging to Mr WATTERS, which were entirely conſumed.

On Tueſday night, the great cotton-work of Meſſ. WOOD and Co. at Carliſle, was burnt to the ground.—The wind was very high, ſo that it was with much difficulty the Buſh ſtables were ſaved from the flames.—No lives were loſt.

VOLUNTEER CAVALRY.

We are informed, that a propoſal is intended to come from ſome of the Yeomanry or Volunteer Cavalry corps of the three Lothians, for occaſionally uniting all theſe corps for the purpoſe of drill.—As ſuch a plan would eventually render theſe corps much more uſeful to Government, we ſincerely hope it may be found practicable. The numbers would amount to near 300, which would form a very reſpectable regiment, ready to act as ſuch on very ſhort notice in caſe of invaſion, or internal commotion.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICIARY.

Some time ago, *Thomas Muir*, day-labourer in Dalkeith, was tried upon a charge of murder, and the Jury returned a verdict finding him guilty of culpable homicide. Againſt this verdict it was pleaded in arreſt of judgment, that no ſentence could be paſſed thereon, as culpable homicide was not charged in the indictment. To this it was anſwered, that under a charge of murder, every ſpecies of homicide was included, and therefore, that the Jury were entitled to return a verdict of culpable homicide. The queſtion was fully ſtated in informations, upon which the Court, on Saturday, repelled the objection pleaded in arreſt of judgment, and, in reſpect of the verdict, and that the priſoner had already remained long in priſon, they ordained him to be re-committed to the tolbooth of Edinburgh till the 2d day of February next, and then to be ſet at liberty.

Counſel for the Crown, Mr OSWALD; agent, Mr WARRANDER.—For the priſoners, Mr M'FARLANE, and Mr CRANSTOUN; agents, Meſſ. JOHN CRAW, and LEWIS GORDON.

GREENOCK, Jan. 22.

Arrived here, a few days ago, from Edinburgh Caſtle, under the eſcort of a detachment of the Loyal Greenock Artillery, who had handſomely volunteered their ſervices for that purpoſe, three ammunition waggons for the battery, now called Fort Jervis, in honour of the memorable victory gained over the Spaniſh fleet by the gallant Earl St VINCENT. The fort is now in the moſt complete ſtate of defence, has an excellent bomb proof for powder, &c. (thanks to the attention of our worthy Member, Mr M'DOWALL of Garthland, Lord Lieutenant of the county) and is quite ready to give a very genteel reception to whatever part of the *Army of England* may wiſh to viſit the Clyde. They may depend that the *Loan* will be diſcharged in full, by ſomething of more weight than Republican mandates.—This truly loyal and patriotic corps is in the higheſt ſtate of diſcipline—above one half of them are trained to the uſe of ſmall arms—and we make no doubt, ſhould the enemy have the temerity to land on our coaſts, they will diſplay a ſpirit of gallantry in the day of battle becoming Britons.

The fort fired, on the 18th inſtant, a Royal ſalute, in honour of her Majeſty's birth-day, as did the other forces in the town, and the ſhipping in the Roads.

COMMISSION INTELLIGENCE.

DUBLIN, JANUARY 16.

Patrick Finney having been put to the bar, and a jury ſworn, the indictment was read, which conſiſted of thirteen counts, detailing overt acts of high treaſon.

Mr RIDGEWAY, for the Crown, opened the caſe, which, with his uſual and acknowledged candour, was ſtated by

The Right Hon. the ATTORNEY-GENERAL, who began by ſhewing that the priſoner, Patrick Finney, ſtood indicted on a charge of high treaſon, of which there are ſeveral ſpecies; he ſtated merely two, as applying to the charge—one was the compaſſing the death of the King, and the other, adhering to the King's enemies.

The Right Hon. the Attorney-General, after a ſtatement bearing the eſtabliſhed features of his preciſion and ability, concluded by recommending to the jury to be guided by thoſe impreſſions of humanity and juſtice, which, alone, he wiſhed, to diſtinguiſh their verdict.

JAMES O'BRIEN being ſworn and examined by the Prime Serjeant, depoſed in ſubſtance, that on the 25th of April laſt, he met at the door of a public houſe in Thomas ſtreet, and in company with the priſoner, Finney, a man named Hyland, with whom he was acquainted; that Hyland aſked him if he was Up? the witneſs expreſſing ignorance of what he meant, Hyland ſaid, " it's a wonder, Jamie, you're not up," and Finney explained it, to ſignify a perſon's being an United Iriſhman, and adviſed him to become one, or he might loſe his life, before he went half the length of the ſtreet, and if he went into the houſe, he ſhould know the particulars; the witneſs accordingly went into the public houſe, and entered a room where there were ten more perſons, one of whom, named Buckley, aſked the priſoner, Finney, if he had caught a bird, adding, that he, O'Brien, ſhould never leave that houſe, until made a Chriſtian.—He was then ſworn to ſecrecy and alſo to the conſtitution oath of the United Iriſhmen, by Finney and Hyland, in preſence and hearing of the priſoner, who told the witneſs, that every man, rich and poor, who was not an United Iriſhman, very ſhortly would loſe his life. O'Brien depoſed, that he took the oaths from fear of his life, after paying a ſhilling, ſaid to be for the good of the cauſe, he was initiated into the ſigns and words of the Society. The Sunday following was appointed to meet at the Widow Coghlan's, on the Coombe, where Finney ſaid the witneſs would be further enlightened. Recollected that there was a printed paper read, which ſtated, among other things, that any placeman or penſioner who was not an United Iriſhman ſhould loſe his life. Being permitted to depart, on his way home, he recollected, that perſons entering into ſocieties of Defenders were taken up, if diſcovered; ſo he determined to inform Mr Higgins, a Magiſtrate of the Queen's county, of what had paſſed, and did; he was adviſed to continue ſome time in the ſociety; went to the following meeting, at Newmarket, on the Coombe, and was admitted on the paſſword, " Mr Greene;" at this meeting much converſation was held about their ſtrength in men and arms; went to the Sheaf of Wheat in Thomas Street, the Sunday after, and was admitted on the paſſword, " Mr Flail;" there were ſixty perſons in the room, having been counted by the priſoner at the bar, who adviſed a diviſion of them into ſplits, each to conſiſt of twelve; that they were accordingly ſubdivided, and to each ſplit there was elected a ſecretary and caſh-keeper; after which, Finney adminiſtered to each of the ſecretaries and treaſurers an official oath, a man named Cooke helping each, as ſworn, to a glaſs of punch, to waſh it down.—Witneſs recollects a propoſition made at that meeting, for a certain number to go to White's Court in Ship Street, to No. 48 George's Street, and to a ſtone-cutter's yard in the ſame ſtreet, for the purpoſe of reporting to the next meeting, whether there were ſuitable places to favour an entry into the ordnance ſtores, that the arms and ammunition might be ſtolen from thence; that the report on this inſpection was an approval of the different places as calculated to facilitate the attempt.

Witneſs ſtated, that on a Monday he went to a baronial meeting, (having been appointed a caſh-keeper), accompanied by Finney; at this meeting Finney inſpected the accounts of the caſh-keepers, and received their money, ſtating, that he wanted it to pay men to ſend, as already done, to France, to acquaint the government of that country with the number of men ready to aſſiſt them, on landing in this country, and that two of the four, already ſent, had returned, and the other two would come with the enemy's fleet; for they certainly would attempt another invaſion. The priſoner alſo ſaid, that part of the money was to aſſiſt deſerters, and perſons impriſoned for being United Iriſhmen.

O'Brien depoſed, that at the meeting at the Widow Cochlan's, on the Coombe, it was appointed to attend a funeral from Pimblico, which would be accompanied by 10,000 United Iriſhmen, who took that method to ſhew Government their ſtrength, and what they were; that at this funeral Finney was the moſt active perſon, and directed the order of marching; and that after the funeral, much money was collected, and witneſs ſaw on the table a great deal of ſilver, gold, and ſome bank notes, the produce of that collection, and money paid in to Finney from other meetings. At this meeting Finney read the conſtitution of the ſociety of United Iriſhmen, and a paper, ſtating that 110,000 United Iriſhmen were in the province of Ulſter alone, ready to aſſiſt the French, on landing in this kingdom. At a meeting in Meath Street, witneſs depoſed, it was propoſed to put out the eyes, and cut off the tongue and hands of any perſon ſuſpected of giving information to Government againſt United Iriſhmen, and to aſſaſſinate thoſe of whom ſuch could be aſcertained; that it was at this meeting the guard arrived, by witneſs's direction, to arreſt the ſociety; but that Finney having poſſeſſed himſelf of the papers of the meeting, made his eſcape. Here the witneſs's direct examination ended.

On his croſs examination by Mr Curran, the witneſs was aſked, among other queſtions, if he knew a Margaret Moore; if he had ever ſummoned her to the Court of Conſcience, and if he had arreſted her in conſequence of a decree; he replied, that he had ſummoned her, and had her arreſted, but without having obtained a decree;—he was aſked, if ſhe had not ſummoned him, and obtained an order for the reſtoration of the money he had thus obtained from her, and in his preſence.—This, in part, he admitted, and part denied. Being aſked if he had not extorted from a Patrick Cavanagh and John Clarke, publicans, under the aſſumed character of an exciſe-officer—he anſwered, he had; but denied that he had ever paſſed for an exciſe-officer unleſs he was drunk. He alſo admitted having given a man named Edmond Purcel a receipt how to make copper look like ſilver, at the ſame time giving Purcel a bad half crown.

PETER CLARKE, examined by Counſellor Worthington, depoſed, principally, that the 31ſt of laſt May, having gone into a public houſe in Thomas Street, accompanied by Corporal Thompſon, who was ſince murdered near the Naul, they ſaw Finney in the tap-room, who aſked the witneſs, how he was, and if he was up to the new plan that he communicated—that he there boaſted how well he contrived to eſcape from the meeting in Meath Street, with the papers of the Society, and that his eſcape was effected by being dreſſed in a uniform, and having a black ſtock on——that while thus converſing, Thompſon went for a guard, with which returning, Finney was arreſted.

Croſs examined by Mr M'Nally—He admitted that he deſerted from the Carlow Buffs, but it was becauſe he had never received any bounty money, nor had taken any oath of allegiance—he alſo ſaid, that he was not in the Court the preceding day.

On the part of the priſoner, ſix witneſſes were examined, four of whom poſitively contradicted O'Brien in his depoſition, that he had never paſſed for an exciſe officer, and alſo in the affair of ſummoning and arreſting Mar. Moore. Of Pet. Clarke it was likewiſe poſitively ſworn, that he was in the Court the preceding day, in contradiction to his depoſition.

Theſe circumſtances of contradiction to the evidence of O'Brien and Clarke were ſtrongly urged to the conſideration of the Jury, by their Lordſhips from the Bench, in charges fraught with the pureſt juſtice and liberality; and the Jury, after an abſence of about ten minutes, returned a verdict—*Not Guilty.*

The Judges preſiding were the Hon. Judge CHAMBERLAINE and the Hon. Baron SMITH.

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TO THE
PRINTER OF THE CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

SIR, *Jan.* 24. 1798.

IN your paper of Monday you have published a correspondence between the American students at this University, and the French prisoners confined in the Castle.—I am not singular in esteeming it evident that the terms in which the letter is couched do convey, (I hope unintentionally,) a sort of impeachment on the charity and justice of this country towards those Frenchmen, whose fate has lodged them in Edinburgh Castle.

The "sufferings," which these American gentlemen so feelingly bewail,—the "miserable condition," which they deplore,—the "wants, misfortunes, and distresses," which fill up the pathetic paragraphs of their letter, being mostly figurative, would, possibly, had its authors been pleased to investigate the fact, have been less frequently repeated in the letter.

It is true the objects of the present American liberality, and whom their correspondents address by the palatable epithet of "*Citizens*," are prisoners; but it is equally true, that their situation, in point of attendance, food, and accommodation, is not surpassed by the treatment of any prisoners of war in any country under the sun, nor equalled (would to God it were) by the situation of British subjects now prisoners in France.

I tax not the charity of the students as ill placed.—I censure not their benevolence in succouring misfortune, wherever it meets them. But I cannot permit insinuations of the existence of a singular and unusual call for the exertion of that benevolence, and to the last farthing the donors can afford, to go abroad, without assuring your readers of its injustice. It may check the enthusiastic expressions at least of these Gentlemen, to recollect that most of the objects of their bounty were not captured in the act of open and manly hostility, deplorable, no doubt, as even such war is, but in the pilfering act of privateering against the subjects of that country wherein their impassioned supporters are now living and now protected.

It is neither my purpose to admonish nor to crave. It is neither my object to correct the charities of individuals, nor to solicit the next bounty of the American students towards those unhappy Britons, who now truly feel what captivity is, and in a land too of alledged liberty. But I call on you, Sir, in the name of justice, to publish this letter, as a due explanation to those whom your American correspondents may have impressed with the notion of severity which does not exist, and of distress which has been exaggerated.

I am, Sir,

A FRIEND TO ACCURACY.

COURT OF KING's BENCH, Dec. 21.

HOGG v. HORNER.

Mr GIBBS opened this case, which was an action on a policy of insurance, brought against the defendant to recover the amount of his subscription. The insurance was on the ship Minerva, at and from Lisbon to any port or ports in England, with leave to call at any one port in Portugal for any one purpose. This ship was chartered to carry a cargo of coals to Lisbon, and there to take in a part of her home cargo, and from thence to sail to the port of Faro, and from thence to England. She actually did sail from England to Lisbon, and from thence to Faro, and in her voyage home was captured by a French privateer. Mr Gibbs submitted, that by this policy the Minerva had a right to call at any port in Portugal, and Faro was a port in the southermost part of that kingdom, and the navigation was not attended with greater risk than to Oporto, though it lay at a greater distance.

Lord KENYON thought, that this ship going to such a distance south of Lisbon, and in a retrograde motion, was a deviation.

Mr ERSKINE reminded Lord Kenyon of an appeal to the House of Lords from the Court of Session in Scotland. That was a policy of insurance at and from Charlestown to Holland, and the ship put in at Hull. Lord Thurlow in that case, after consulting with the Judges, held that when a ship was permitted to call or touch at any particular port, it must be a place in the course of her voyage.

Mr GIBBS said, it was evidently the intention of the plaintiff, before the policy was effected, to go to Faro, and he desired the insurance to be so made.

Lord KENYON said, the intention of the plaintiff only was not sufficient. The defendant ought to have been apprized of it. Why did not the plaintiff insure his ship at and from Faro?

Mr GIBBS submitted, that his client was entitled to the return of premium.

Lord KENYON said thought he was not, in as much as there was an inception of the the risk, the policy being at and from Lisbon. The risk, therefore, began, before the ship left Lisbon, and while she remained in the port of Lisbon, *non constat*, which way she should sail.

The Gentlemen of the Jury held it to be a deviation, and of course found a verdict for the defendant.

DECEMBER 22.

FRANCE v. KIRVAN.

Mr LAW stated that this was an action on a policy of insurance at and from any port or ports in Jamaica to Liverpool, and warranted to sail with convoy before the 1st of August, 1795. Admiral Ford, at that time, with the Europa, and several other ships, was off Jamaica. The Powtomack, which was the ship insured by the defendant, came to the place appointed on the 2d of June, and was no more than two miles from the Europa, and not above one mile from the sternmost ships in the fleet. The Admiral, without taking any notice of the Powtomack, though so near, bore away on the 2d of June, and on the 4th, the Captain entirely lost sight of the fleet; on the 13th she was captured.

Mr LAW observed, that the principal question in this case would be, whether sailing orders were absolutely necessary? He stated the different opinions that had been entertained on that point, and admitted that the Captain, in this case, received no sailing orders, but did every thing in his power to get up with the Admiral for that purpose.

When the whole of this case was heard, Lord KENYON was of opinion on the facts, that the plaintiff had no cause of action. His Lordship said, as to the question respecting the necessity of sailing orders, on which very learned Judges had differed, he had no difficulty in giving his opinion. It seemed to him, in point of reason and common sense, where an underwriter contracted that a ship should sail with convoy, that that ship should be in such a situation of security as a convoy could impart to her. Now that was impossible, unless the Captain had received his instructions from the Admiral, to direct him in the course where protection extended. Without sailing orders, he might be running away from protection.—Verdict for defendant.

SEQUESTRATIONS, &c.

JAMES HARDIE DOUGLAS, late distiller at Craigintinny, has applied to the Court of Session for a discharge.

Creditors of ALEXANDER CRICHTON of Newington, coachmaker in Edinburgh, to meet in the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, February 7th at two P. M. to instruct trustee as to the sale of outstanding debts.

—— of ROBERT MACLAGAN of Woodstreet, Cheapside, London, merchant, to meet in the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, February 6th, at two P. M. to determine as to the disposal of his heritable property in Scotland; also to see state of affairs with Edward Lothian, writer to the signet, North Hanover Street, Edinburgh.

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Jan. 22. Thomas, Scott, from Lisbon, with cotton, lemons and oranges, &c.
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—*SAILED*—

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By order of the High Court of Admiralty,

In about a month's time, at Cork in Ireland, and there to be delivered,

THE Portuguese Ship and CARGO of the NOSSA SENHORA DE PATROCINIO E ST ANNA, captured by the French on her voyage from Pernambucco to Oporto, and recaptured by his Majesty's ship of war the Doris, the Right Hon. Lord Ranelagh Commander.

The Cargo, consisting of about
600 Chests of BRAZIL SUGAR.
350 Bags of ditto COTTON.
HIDES—and other Goods.

Particulars of which will be timely delivered by Mr A. J. Sampays, at Cork—and by Messr. Burmester and Nash, Bishopsgate Street, London. Jan. 9. 1798.

By virtue of a Decree of
THE HIGH COURT OF ADMIRALTY.
For Sale by the candle, at Falmouth in about a month,

THE CARGO of the Portuguise ship NA SA DE LUZ E ST ANNA, captured by the French, on her voyage from Rio de Janeiro to Oporto, and re-captured by the Dover letter of marque, Lieutenant Henry Kent Commander; and Cecilia letter of marque, John Parrier Commander, consisting of

About 600 Chests BRAZIL SUGAR,
—— 200 Bags RICE,
HIDES, HORNS, and sundry other Goods.

Catalogues and particulars of which will be timely delivered, by Messr. Pellew, Saunders, and Nash, commissioners for the sale of the said cargo at Falmouth; Mr Burmester, Bishopsgate Street, and James Duncan, broker, No. 37, Great Towerhill, London.

SALE OF LANDS,
In the County of Argyle.
TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE BARGAIN,

THE well-known, beautiful, and fertile ISLAND of MONK, containing from twelve to fifteen hundred acres of fine arable and pasture land, all lying on limestone, surrounded by the best fishing banks on the west coast, has two good harbours, and lies at equal distances between the harbours of Tobermory and Canna. The islands in its vicinity abound in game, and its distance from the main land does not exceed eight miles. The opening of the Crinan Canal will raise the value of this property considerably, as it renders the carrying of its fish and kelp to market safe and expeditious.

The rental, title deeds, and plan of the property, may be seen in the hands of John Campbell, jun. W. S. who has power from the proprietor to conclude a bargain.

N. B.—A great part of the price will (if desired) be allowed to remain in the purchaser's hands, on granting proper security.

TO CREDITORS.

GILBERT HAMILTON, merchant in Glasgow, trustee on the sequestrated estate of Mr JAMES DUNLOP of Garnkirk, having made up states of the bankrupt's affairs, as at the 23d December last, agreeable to the act of Parliament, the same lie open for the inspection of the creditors or their agents, at his writing-room in Queen-street, until Friday the 23d March next, when a general meeting of the creditors is to be held at the said writing-room, at 12 o'clock, in order to give such orders as may appear necessary for the further management; but no dividend will then be paid, as sufficient funds have not been recovered. Glasgow, Jan. 20. 1798.

FARM IN FIFE.

To be LET, for such number of years as can be agreed on, and entered to at Martinmas 1798,

THE EAST MAINS of KILBRACKMONTH, as presently possessed by Philip Mackie, lying in the parish of Kilconquhar, with an inclosure called the BACK PARK, which has for sometime been possessed by Thomas Duncan, and has been upwards of twenty years in pasture grass. The whole contains about 147¼ acres of rich thick soil, fit for raising crops of any kind. All the grounds are arable excepting about 16 acres of pasture. The farm lies within three miles of the harbour of Ely, and there is abundance of coal and lime in the immediate neighbourhood.

Proposals in writing for a lease will be received between and Condlemas next, either by Mr James Walker, writer to the signet, Edinburgh, or by Mr Whyte in Crail; and the proposals will be kept secret if desired.

A FARM TO LET.

To be Let for nineteen years,

THE FARM of BOGEND, at Noble House, in the parish of Newlands and shire of Peebles, consisting of 123 Scots acres of arable land or thereby, 27 acres of pasture, and 18 acres more of pasture planted with firs. Possession may be had immediately.

Offers in writing may be given in to the proprietor, Lieutenant-Colonel Veitch at Elliock, Mr T. Douglas at Holmhill by Thornhill, or to A. Kincaid Tate, writer, Royal Exchange, Edinburgh, either of whom will show plans and measurements of the lands, and inform as to particulars regarding improvements, &c.

LANDS OF HYNDHOPE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 21st February 1798, between the hours of two and three afternoon,

THE Lands of HYNDHOPE, lying within the parish of Yarrow, and shire of Selkirk. These lands are delightfully situated on the banks of Ettrick; and there are several charming situations on them, either for a mansion-house or farm steading. They are well known to be a most capital sheep farm, capable of great improvement.

The purchaser may enter into the full possession at Whitsunday first.

They afford a freehold qualification for the shire of Selkirk.

For particulars, apply to Mr John Lang, writer in Selkirk, Mr A. Cunningham, No. 37, George Street, Edinburgh, or James Gibson, W. S. who will shew the title-deeds and articles of sale.

A private bargain may be made before the day of sale.

SALE OF ESTATES IN BERWICKSHIRE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 7th of March 1798—The roup to begin at two o'clock afternoon,

THE FOLLOWING LANDS AND ESTATES, VIZ.

1*mo*, The LANDS and ESTATE of WHITSOMHILL, and SALMON FISHINGS thereto belonging, lying within the parishes of Whitsom and Ladykirk.

This estate consists of 1362 acres, and is presently possessed by nine tenants at the yearly rent of 1153l. 13s. 6d. The most material of the leases expire in the 1802, when a very considerable rise of rent will be got. The whole of the leases contain proper restrictions as to the management of the farms.

The stipend, school salary, and feu-duty payable out of this estate is 24l. 6s 1d. 4-12ths, and the representatives of Sir David Dalrymple of Hailes are bound to relieve the proprietor of the augmentation of stipends.

The whole of the estate, excepting some small pendicles in the town of Whitsom, is held of the Crown, and will afford six freehold qualifications in the county:

Or, if more agreeable to offerers, this estate will be exposed in the following Lots—

LOT I.—The Lands of RAMRIGG, RAMAGEMOUNT, and GREENSIDE, with the SALMON FISHINGS on the Tweed, consisting of 741 acres, and of yearly rent 611l.

LOT II.—The Lands of WHITSOMHILL, WHITSOMVOLTS, DEADRIG, and CARTRIG, HURDIES-HILL and CLAYPOTTS, and EASTER WHITSOM, consisting of 621 acres, and of yearly rent 542l. 13s. 6d.

2*dly* The LANDS and BARONY of HILTON, and Teinds thereof, lying in the parish of Whitsom, consisting of the Farms of Winnfield and Hiltonhill, as possessed by Robert Brown and John Hogarth, extending to 875 acres, at the yearly rent of 760l.

The stipend and school salary payable out of the estate is 23l. 9d. 10-12ths Sterling.

This estate is held blench of the Crown, and the valued rent thereof is 744l. 15s. 10d. Scots.

Or, if more agreeable to offerers, this estate will be exposed in the following Lots—

LOT I.—The FARM of WINNFIELD, possessed by Robert Brown upon a lease, which expires in 1802, consisting of 552 acres, at the yearly rent of 400l. The valued rent of this lot will be more than sufficient for giving a freehold qualification in the county.

LOT II.—The FARM of HILTONHILL, consisting of 323 acres, as possessed by John Hogarth, at the yearly rent of 360l. The public burdens to be allocated proportionally on these two lots, according to the present rents.

3*dly*, The LANDS and ESTATE of FISHWICK, lying in the parish of Hutton, with the SALMON FISHINGS on the river Tweed thereto belonging.

This estate consists of 1209 acres, let upon a very old lease, which expires in the 1801, and when a very great rise of rent will for certain be got. The regulations of the subsisting lease are, in every point of view, most favourable to an incoming tenant.

The present rent of the lands is only	L. 606	0 0
And of the salmon fishings .	190	0 0
	L. 796	0 0
The public burdens amount to .	L. 43	8 0

The whole estate is held of the Crown, and stands rated in the valuation books at 1063l. 16s. 0d.

The teinds are valued and exhausted by the present stipend.

Or if more agreeable to offerers, this estate will be exposed in the following lots:

LOT I. Being that part of the Estate called FISHWICK, consisting of 786 acres, presently possessed by Mr George Logan, at the yearly rent of . L. 404 0 0

And it is proposed to add to this lot the Salmon Fishings . . . L. 190 0 0

L. 594 0 0

LOT II. Being that part of the Estate commonly called the MAINS of FISHWICK, consisting of 423 acres, presently possessed by Mr John Logan, at the yearly rent of 202 l

The above division of the rents was made by a private agreement betwixt the tenants, to which the proprietor was no party.

The PATRONAGE of the United Parishes of WHITSOM and HILLTON will be sold, along with one or other of the above Estates, as purchasers may incline, under a reservation of making the first Presentation after the death of the present incumbent.

Persons wishing to be informed of farther particulars may apply to Messr. Francis and John Andersons, writers to the signet, Edinburgh; or to Mr Alexander Low at Woodend, by Dunse, either of whom are authorised to treat by private bargain for the sale of all or any of the above estates before the day of roup

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THE HOUSE OF SILVERMILLS.

TO LET,

A GENTEEL LODGING of seven rooms, two good garret rooms for servants, cellars and out-houses, with a number of other conveniencies, fit to accommodate a genteel family.

The house is all in good repair, and has been all painted lately; and as it is not more than fifteen minutes walk from the Cross of Edinburgh, in a most pleasant situation, in a manner both town and country, would be a desirable situation for a person that wishes to be near town, as there is a good foot road all the way. There is as much grass goes with the house as will maintain a cow; and if required, a good kitchen garden and stable for four horses.

For particulars enquire at the house or at Nicol Sommerville, painter, Niddry Street, Edinburgh.

COUNTRY RESIDENCE.

To be Let for such number of years as can be agreed on, and entered to at Whitsunday first,

THE MANSION-HOUSE, Office-houses, Garden and Greens of PLEASANTHILL, as occupied by the late Mr George Nicol.

This house is delightfully situated (commanding an extensive prospect of the adjacent country) a little south of the high road in the immediate vicinity of Cupar Angus, a post town, where weekly markets are held, and every conveniency of life easily obtained. It consists of a large and elegant dining-room, parlour, five bed-rooms, kitchen and garrets. Without there is chaise-house, cellar, coal-house, barn and stable.

The garden, which is well stocked with fruit trees, has been lately improved, and as the tenant will have yearly transported from the shores of Perth or Dundee 16 bolls of coals, a more convenient and desirable country residence is seldom to be met with.

The FURNITURE and Effects at present within the house, with a neat two-wheeled CHAISE, are to be rouped on Wednesday the 6th February next, after which access may be got to the whole subject.

For further particulars application may be made to Charles Hay, writer in Cupar Angus.

TO BE SOLD,

By Public Roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 7th day of March next, at two o'clock afternoon,

THE VILLA of ST BERNARDS, beautifully situated upon the banks of the Water of Leith, within ten minutes walk of the New Town of Edinburgh.

The house is large and commodious, consisting of dining room, 20 feet by 16—drawing room, 24 by 18—seven large bed rooms, light closets, kitchen, apartments for servants, and every accommodation for a large family, with a complete set of offices in excellent repair.

The grounds, measuring about ten acres, are elegantly laid out, and divided into orchard, grass ground, kitchen garden, planting, and shrubbery, including a summer house, large vine house, green house, and mineral well. There is likewise a considerable quantity of valuable wood upon the property, part of it nearly 80 years old.

This villa, so well known for the beauty of its situation, unites, from its vicinity to the metropolis, all the advantages of a town residence to the pleasures of a country retirement.

The title deeds, which are clear and complete, are in the hands of John Ross, W. S. to whom application may be made for further particulars.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

To be SOLD, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Thursday the 15th of February next, at one o'clock afternoon,

I. THE VILLA of BROUGHTON PARK, lying on the north side, and in the immediate vicinity of Edinburgh, consisting of 3 acres, 2 roods, 37 falls, all well inclosed, as present occupied mostly in nursery.

Upon the premisses are a commodious neat Mansion-house, Garden, and suitable offices, possessed by Andrew Leslie seedsman in Edinburgh, the proprietor, besides a smaller dwelling-house, small garden, &c. occupied by tenants.

II. The Property at PORTOBELLO, lying about three miles east from Edinburgh, upon the sea-shore, belonging to James Cunningham, writer in Edinburgh; ascertained by a plan and measurement to consist of 4 acres 2 roods and 4 falls, well fenced with stone walls, and laid out in three separate inclosures surrounded with gardens, shrubbery, &c. with the privilege of a [road] from the high road to the sea, along the outside of the east boundary of the property.

In the southermost inclosure adjoining to the Musselburgh road, there is a neat commodious dwelling-house. And in the north inclosure upon the sea side, there is also a neat dwelling-house, commonly known by the name of *Portobello Tower*, with proper offices, &c.

The premisses are most particularly well adapted for bathing quarters, and may either be occupied in the manner they presently are, or converted into three separate villas, the middle inclosure affording a delightful situation for a house.

III. The MANSION-HOUSE of Bridge Castle, in Linlithgowshire, and ground around it, consisting of nine acres one rood and seven falls, all substantially inclosed, with a garden well stocked with choice fruit trees, a green-house, and suitable offices, lying about three measured miles from Linlithgow, and two from Bathgate, upon the new road leading from Linlithgow to the new Glasgow road, which affords a most convenient access.

The Mansion-house is substantial, and would be a very comfortable residence for a genteel family, being large, surrounded by fine old trees, pleasantly situated upon a good trouting water, which passes under the garden wall, and in the centre of a sporting country.

Mr Leslie will show the premisses at Broughton Park;—and the servants at Portobello and Bridge Castle those there.

For further information, persons inclining to purchase may apply to Donald M'Laine, seedsman in Edinburgh, trustee for the creditors of Messr. Leslie and Cunningham, or to Alexander Forsyth, writer in Edinburgh, in whose hands the articles of roup, title deeds, and plans of the subjects, and searches for incumbrances may be seen.

SALE OF HOUSES IN EDINBURGH, AND *RICHMOND STREET.*

To be Sold by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 31st day of January curt. at two o'clock afternoon,

THE following HERITABLE SUBJECTS, that belonged to the deceased Cumberland Moffat, Druggist, Apothecary, Richmond-street, Edinburgh:

I.—A BACK TENEMENT of LAND, lying within the Nether Bow of Edinburgh, in the close called Baffendean's close, north side of the High-street, consisting of four storeys, and several small houses, stables and cellars; to be exposed at the upset price of 500l. Sterling.

II.—A SHOP, with two back apartments and two cellars having three vents, or fire places, being part of the shop of ground storey of that tenement of land lately built by William Dowie, mason, being the north-east corner shop of South Richmond-street. This shop is presently let at 10l. Sterling of rent, and was formerly let at 13l. and is to be exposed at the upset price of 110l. Sterling.

III.—A LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE, being the third storey or flat above the said shop storey, in the last mentioned tenement, consisting of five rooms, a light and dark bed closet, kitchen, cellar, and other conveniencies, presently occupied by Mr Smith, writer, at 10l. and was formerly let for 17l. 17s. and if a small sum was laid out for repairs, would again give that rent. It is to be exposed at the upset price of 150l. Sterling.

IV.—A BRICK TENEMENT of HOUSES, consisting of two storeys, with a Bake-house and oven, lying immediately to the east of the said last-mentioned tenement. The Oven is possessed by Alexander Dick, baker, at 4l. 10s. The rent of the whole subjects when let, was 11l. 8s. and is to be exposed at the upset price of 35l. Sterling.

The subjects in Edinburgh hold burgage, and the subjects in Richmond-street, which were lately built, do hold feu for payment of small feu-duties. The progress of writs to all the foresaid subjects, is clear and complete, and the articles of roup and title-deeds, may be seen in the hands of Hugh Brunner, accountant in Edinburgh, who will inform as to other particulars.

Mr Sherrilaw will shew the subjects in Baffendean's close, and the subjects in Richmond-street, will be shewn by the possessors.

Not to be repeated.

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